



**DALLAS COUNTY
PURCHASING DEPARTMENT**

January 18, 2005

TO: Honorable Dallas County Commissioners Court

FROM: Gloria McCulloch-Webb, Purchasing System Specialist/Analyst

SUBJECT: Request for Proposals for Countywide Receiving System (CRS), RFP No. 2005-015-1591

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BACKGROUND/ISSUE

On December 3, 2004, by authorization of the Dallas County Commissioners Court, proposals were opened for RFP No. 2005-015-1591, Request for Proposals for Countywide Receiving System. The Purchasing Department received a total of six (6) proposal responses. The firms that responded were as follows: Class Software Solutions Ltd., Bearing Point in Association with CyberDyne Systems, Core Business Technologies, Software Plus Information, System Innovators, ACI Associates, Inc & Paragon Consulting.

The evaluation committee consisting of the County Treasurer's Office (Lisa Hembry and Gilda Gordon), Auditor's Office (Virginia Porter, Brian Stevens and Ryiad Alsaïd) MIS Representative (Rodney Christian), Atos-Origin (Randy Powell) and Purchasing (Phillip Vasquez) and Gloria McCulloch Webb as the Facilitator, met on January 7, 2005, to discuss the responses to the RFP and provide the initial evaluation and assessment of the proposals using the criteria set forth in the Request for Proposals.

Based on the initial evaluation, assessment, and discussion by the committee members and in accordance with the appropriate guidelines stated in the RFP and Dallas County policy and procedures, the evaluation committee voted on January 7, 2005 that four (4) of the six (6) firms (Class Software Solutions Ltd., Bearing Point in association with CyberDyne Systems, System Innovators, and ACI Associates, Inc & Paragon Consulting) were reasonably susceptible of being selected for award in accordance to 262.030(e) and should continue through the next phase of the Request for Proposals process. A revised time line of events was also discussed at the meeting on January 7, 2005, and is included with this briefing.

Core Business Technologies was eliminated due to the fact the 2-tier application approach does not meet an N-tier solution for Countywide Receiving System (CRS) stated in the RFP, the proposal does not fit in Dallas County long range business processing plan. Software Plus Information Technology, Inc. was removed due to the fact their proposed solution general architectural thesis to designing the CRS in the proposal is not sufficient to meet Dallas County system requirements and definition for the vision of Countywide Receiving System.

On January 11, 2005, Rodney Christian (MIS Department) presented to the IT Steering Committee on behalf of the Evaluation Committee, the list of susceptible firms. The IT Steering Committee concurred with the Evaluation Committee's recommendation.

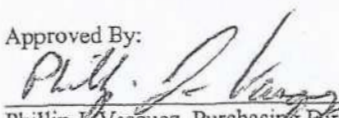
FINANCIAL IMPACT

The main objective of the Countywide Receiving System is to provide standardized cashiering capabilities throughout the county, integration into all county financial systems, centralized receipt transactions, and real time reporting capabilities at all levels of responsibility while at the same time reducing its long term costs by increasing revenues to Dallas County through a robust collection system.

RECOMMENDATION

As a result of the initial evaluation, assessment, and discussion, the evaluation committee is requesting permission to continue with next the phase of the RFP process for RFP No. 2005-015-1591 with Class Software Solutions Ltd., Bearing Point in Association with CyberDyne Systems, Core Business Technologies, Software Plus Information, System Innovators, ACI Associates, Inc & Paragon Consulting the four (4) firms considered reasonably susceptible of being selected for award in accordance with Dallas County rules.

Approved By:


Phillip Vasquez, Purchasing Director

Revised Time-Line as of Friday, January 07, 2005 - Countywide Receipting System

Based on a meeting with Honorable Lisa Hembry and Gilda Gordon (Treasurer's Office), Brian Stevens and Ryiad AIsaid (Auditor's Office), Phillip Vasquez (Purchasing Department), Randy Powell (Atos-Origin) and Gloria McCulloch-Webb (Facilitator)

Clarification questions to all bidders (if any) to the Purchasing Department	December 13, 2004, 12 noon (None received from Auditor's Office or Treasurer)
Clarification responses from bidders	December 21, 2004, 12 noon (not applicable)
Determine what firms were reasonably Susceptible of being awarded the RFP	January 4, 2005 January 07, 2005
Briefing to IT Steering Committee	January 11, 2005
Briefing to Commissioners Court	January 11, 2005 January 18, 2005
Court Order of Susceptible Firms	January 11, 2005 January 25, 2005 based on the IT Steering Committee meeting on January 12, 2005
Reference Check Questionnaire – Mailed Out	January 12, 2005 January 19, 2005
On-Site Software Presentation (if any)	January 18-21, 2005 January 24-28, 2005
Reference Telephone Conference Call	January 24-28, 2005 January 31, 2005
BAFO Letter Mailed Out	January 31, 2005 February 09, 2005
BAFO Response Due	February 10, 2005 February 21, 2005
Briefing to IT Steering Committee on Recommendation for award	February 22, 2005 March 1, 2005
Briefing to Commissioners Court on IT Steering Committee & Evaluation Committee Recommendation of award	March 1, 2005 March 8, 2005
Formal Court Order Award	March 8, 2005 March 15, 2005
Contract Development between Auditor's Office, Treasurer, DA – Civil Section, MIS Department and Awarded Firm	March 2 – 23, 2005 March 16-31, 2005
Contract Signed by County Judge	April 5, 2005 April 19, 2005
Go-Live Date:	June 1, 2005 August 1, 2005